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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.